

Unitarian Universalist Society of Martha's Vineyard

June 9, 2024

The Tale of Goldilocks and the Bylaws: Too Big, Too Small, or Just Right?

with

Rev. Janet Newton

"The only lasting truth is change. God is change." —Octavia Butler, *The Parable of the Sower*

"The problem with people is that they want to change overnight — and have a good night's sleep that night, too." — The Alter of Novarodok

Ringing the Bell

Welcome and Community Connection

Call to Worship and Chalice Lighting

Opening Hymn: #86 *Blessed Spirit of My Life*

Time for All Ages

Candles of Joy and Concern

Mimi Davisson

Meditative Silence (approximately 3 minutes of silence)

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Janet

Offering

Mimi Davisson

Offertory *Your Words of Love*

Peter Halperin

Hymn #162 *Gonna Lay Down My Sword and Shield*

Reflection Part 1: "The Tale of Goldilocks and the Bylaws: Too Big?"

Hymn #16 ' *Tis a Gift to Be Simple*

Reflection Part 2: "Too Small?"

Reading from *Everyday Holiness*

Reflection Part 3: "Just Right?"

Rev. Janet

Musical Benediction *Ripple*

Peter Halperin

Benediction

Rev. Janet

Thank you to The Men's Alliance for volunteering for our service support and for providing refreshments.

Need Someone to Listen?

In addition to pastoral care being available from Rev. Janet, your Lay Ministers (Bill Bridwell, Jan Casey, Kevin Longval) are available to lend support to anyone in our USMV community in their time of need by being available to listen and offer comfort.

You can reach them individually by calling: Jan Casey (508-942-3643), Bill Bridwell (774-563-8542), Kevin Longval (781-249-4712) or reach out to uu.society.mv@gmail.com

Connect with Rev. Janet

Would you like to connect with Rev. Janet? Here are three ways:

1. NEW! Coffee Shop Office Hours! Come connect at the Cozy Corner Cafe (located at the Triangle in Edgartown) on Tuesdays from 11 - 1 pm, or the Black Dog Bakery on State Road in Vineyard Pastoral Support Haven on Wednesdays from 12:30 - 2:30 pm.
2. For pastoral care needs, request a one-on-one meeting that directly show up on my calendar through this link: <https://calendly.com/revjanet> From there you can select a date, time, duration and location. Please keep travel time in mind as you schedule.
3. If neither of these options works for you, or if you have a more urgent need, please reach out by phone, text message or email and she will get back to you with options.
Cell: (505) 670-4157 (call or text) or email: revjanetnewton@gmail.com

GoFundMe for Stephan Knight



Please consider donating to help Stefan and his family during this challenging time. Your generosity will make a meaningful difference in their lives. Please consider making a donation of any amount that you can— we appreciate your support.

Follow this link for more information and to donate: [Stephan Knight GoFundMe](#) or go to: <https://shorturl.at/V7S4H>

Our Auction is Live!

Join in the fun and visit our online auction today! Bidding ends on Sunday, June 16th at 8 pm. You can register to participate in the UUSMV auction by going to www.biddingforgood.com/UUSMV from your computer, laptop or mobile device (iPad, Phone). On the 16th after our service we will have a silent auction and the Social Committee will happily provide lunch and beverages to all who are planning to attend. We welcome a few members to bring desserts to share as well. If you do plan to bring a dessert item or have any questions for us, feel free to contact a member of this year's Auction Social Committee., We can't wait to see you there!

Social Committee Members (Kristy and Eric Brooks, Linda And Roger Moffat and Sheila Hanley& Kevin Longval)

